House File 432 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- ${\tt l}$ An Act relating to state child care assistance program
- 2 eligibility and provider requirements.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 237A.13, subsection 2, Code 2011, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- a. The department shall review a family's eligibility
 for the program at least every twelve months.
- 5 <u>b. (1)</u> Services under the program may be provided in a 6 licensed child care center, a child development home, the home
- 7 of a relative, the child's own home, a child care home, or in a
- 8 facility exempt from licensing or registration.
- 9 (2) If services under the program are provided in a location
- 10 other than the child's own home, the location shall be subject
- 11 to an on-site health and safety inspection. The inspection
- 12 shall be performed prior to provision of program services in
- 13 the location. A location that has successfully completed an
- 14 on-site child care health and safety inspection authorized by
- 15 the department as part of child care regulatory requirements
- 16 shall be deemed to have met the requirements of this paragraph.
- 17 EXPLANATION
- 18 This bill relates to eligibility reviews and provider
- 19 requirements for participation in the state child care
- 20 assistance program established in Code section 237A.13 and
- 21 administered by the department of human services.
- 22 Consistent with federal requirements for the program,
- 23 current law provides that services may be provided in a
- 24 licensed child care center, a child development home, the home
- 25 of a relative, the child's own home, a child care home, or in a
- 26 facility exempt from licensing or registration.
- 27 The bill requires the department to review a family's
- 28 eligibility for the program at least every 12 months.
- 29 The bill requires that if services under the program are
- 30 provided in a location other than the child's own home, the
- 31 location is subject to an on-site health and safety inspection.
- 32 The inspection is required to be performed prior to provision
- 33 of program services in the location. A location that has
- 34 successfully completed an on-site child care health and safety
- 35 inspection authorized by the department as part of child care

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- 1 registration or licensure is deemed to have met the inspection
- 2 requirement.